



# **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY**

### NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.T.E. 06-66

July 28, 2006

Petition of NSTAR Gas Company for review and approval of a Fixed Price Option Pilot Program.

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On July 27, 2006, NSTAR Gas Company ("NSTAR" or "Company") filed a petition with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") for approval of a Fixed Price Option ("FPO") Pilot Program for residential and small commercial customers. To implement the FPO Pilot Program, the Company also seeks approval of an amended Default Service tariff, M.D.T.E. 403A, and an amended Seasonal Cost of Gas Adjustment Clause tariff, M.D.T.E. 401A for effect on September 1, 2006. NSTAR states that it is submitting the FPO Pilot Program in accordance with the Settlement Agreement approved by the Department in NSTAR Gas Company, D.T.E. 05-85 (2005). According to the Company, the FPO Pilot Program will enable NSTAR's residential and small commercial customers to participate in a program that provides a more stable, predictable gas price over the winter heating season. This matter has been docketed as D.T.E. 06-66.

Any person who desires to file written comments on this Petition shall file an original and four (4) copies of such written comments with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 17, 2006, and serve one copy on counsel for the Company, Robert N. Werlin, Keegan Werlin, LLP, 265 Franklin Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110-3313.

All comments must also be submitted in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to [dte.efiling@state.ma.us](mailto:dte.efiling@state.ma.us) and [carol.pieper@state.ma.us](mailto:carol.pieper@state.ma.us); or (2) on a 3.5" IBM-compatible disk. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding, D.T.E. 06-66; (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be formatted as either Word Perfect,

Microsoft Word, or Adobe PDF compatible files. Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. All comments submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's web site: <http://www.mass.gov/dte>.

The Company's petition may be inspected at the Offices of the Department during normal business hours (Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.).